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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**EXAMINING GROUP 1714**

**PATENT**  
Docket No. 00054CIP

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: James A. Belmont                      Group Art Unit: 1756  
Application No.: 09/896,880                      Examiner: John A. McPherson  
Filed: June 29, 2001                      Confirmation No.: 1018  
For: **MODIFIED PIGMENT PRODUCTS, DISPERSIONS THEREOF, AND  
COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING THE SAME**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 5, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 17 of this paper.